



Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report

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Week Ending June 29, 2014

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 3.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, June 29, 2014. Topsoil moisture supplies were 2 percent very short, 7 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 43 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 7 percent short, 61 percent adequate, and 31 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 68.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 76.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Grand Isle. High temperatures ranged from 84.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Ashland and Natchitoches to 93.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Hammond. The precipitation for this week was spread throughout the state, with the highest concentration of rainfall in the south central part of the state with an average of 3.61 inches.

Crop progress for week ending June 29, 2014

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, silked	100	96	100	100
Corn, dough	46	21	34	62
Cotton, squaring	69	49	71	81
Cotton, setting bolls	19	1	3	24
Hay, first cutting	95	91	94	97
Hay, second cutting	20	13	23	23
Peaches, harvested	55	42	48	43
Rice, headed	31	12	29	38
Sorghum, headed	75	50	49	70
Sorghum, coloring	9	1	6	7
Soybeans, planted	99	98	99	99
Soybeans, emerged	96	93	95	98
Soybeans, blooming	62	49	40	53
Soybeans, setting pods	20	-	10	21
Sweet Potatoes, planted	95	85	99	95
Winter Wheat, harvested	99	96	100	100

Crop condition for week ending June 29, 2014

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	0	0	18	65	17
Cotton	0	1	15	65	19
Livestock	1	7	28	54	10
Pasture	0	6	25	57	12
Rice	0	1	24	55	20
Sorghum	0	1	37	49	13
Soybeans	4	7	18	48	23
Sugarcane	2	12	37	37	12
Vegetables	1	9	38	47	5

Comments

“Heavy rains continue to be frequent with excess soil moisture contributing to wet field conditions.”

– Rene Schmit, Saint Charles

“Vegetable producers are selling produce, cattlemen trying to cut hay, sugarcane farmers checking for insects and diseases. Crawfish ponds are being drained and waiting to be planted for vegetation. Citrus producers are scouting for insects and diseases.”

– Barton Joffrion Jr., Terrebonne

“Rainfall most of the week is really hurting the soybean crop production. Producers are trying to spray herbicides. Aerial Blight is being reported in the older beans and fungicide is being applied. Over half of the rice is heading and producers are applying fungicides as well.”

–Barrett Courville, Acadia

“Overall, crops look good. We've missed most of the heavy rains that our parishes to the south received the last few weeks. Wheat beans and some re-planted are emerged and growing well.”

– Donna Morgan, Rapides

“Rainfall in Avoyelles for the week was around 5-7 inches. Flooding occurred in most fields; however, crops were established enough to withstand the flood. Corn is excelling this year along with sorghum. Many vegetable gardens have had their first harvest including tomatoes, peppers, and squash, along with others.”

– Justin Dufour, Avoyelles

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending June 29, 2014

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Northwest</b>										
Minden	85.6	71.4	78.5	80.6	-2.1	1.09	3	-0.12	2.88	-1.79
Mooringsport	85.1	71.7	78.4	81.6	-3.2	0.44	4	-0.72	1.23	-3.35
Red River	85.0	72.9	78.9	81.8	-2.8	1.90	4	0.75	3.53	-0.89
Shreveport	84.7	70.4	77.6	81.3	-3.8	0.77	3	-0.29	2.94	-1.53
Extreme/Average	85.1	71.6	78.4	81.3	-3.0	1.05	4	-0.09	2.64	-1.89
<b>North Central</b>										
Calhoun	86.0	71.0	78.5	79.8	-1.3	2.07	6	0.97	4.02	-0.18
Farmerville	86.6	70.4	78.5	80.7	-2.2	0.55	5	-0.90	2.27	-3.23
Homer	87.3	68.9	78.1	78.9	-0.8	0.44	3	-0.56	0.68	-0.78
Extreme/Average	86.6	70.1	78.4	79.8	-1.4	1.02	6	-0.16	2.32	-1.40
<b>Northeast</b>										
Lake Providence	87.7	71.3	79.5	81.3	-1.8	1.79	5	1.01	4.09	2.42
St Joseph	89.4	73.8	81.6	81.8	-0.1	1.22	2	0.55	4.87	1.27
Tallulah	87.0	72.3	79.7	80.9	-1.3	0.40	6	-0.33	6.67	3.14
Winnsboro	NA	NA	NA	81.6	NA	NA	2	NA	NA	NA
Extreme/Average	88.0	72.5	80.3	81.4	-1.0	1.14	6	0.41	5.21	2.28
<b>West Central</b>										
Ashland	84.6	70.0	77.3	80.1	-2.8	2.84	3	1.67	3.95	0.60
Hodges Gardens	86.8	70.8	78.8	81.2	-2.3	0.43	3	-0.35	5.23	1.17
Leesville	85.9	71.1	78.5	80.1	-1.6	1.32	5	0.10	3.86	-0.90
Natchitoches	84.6	71.1	77.9	82.2	-4.4	1.09	5	-0.39	3.69	-1.02
Extreme/Average	85.5	70.8	78.1	80.9	-2.8	1.42	5	0.26	4.18	-0.04
<b>Central</b>										
Alexandria	87.0	71.3	79.1	82.1	-3.0	1.15	4	-0.25	6.83	1.80
Bunkie	88.8	73.2	81.0	81.5	-0.5	0.77	4	-0.28	3.25	-1.67
Eunice	89.2	71.9	80.8	83.0	-2.2	4.20	2	2.83	8.24	3.26
Jonesville Locks	87.2	72.5	79.8	81.5	-1.6	2.36	5	1.21	6.95	2.39
New Roads	87.2	71.2	79.2	82.2	-2.9	3.30	5	2.34	5.66	0.76
Extreme/Average	87.9	72.0	80.0	82.0	-2.0	2.36	5	1.17	6.19	1.31
<b>East Central</b>										
Baton Rouge	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.28	7	1.53	8.82	2.20
Hammond	93.3	72.7	83.0	80.8	2.4	0.00	0	-0.22	3.78	-0.32
Norwood	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.93	5	NA	8.07	NA
Slidell	88.0	72.9	80.4	NA	NA	1.92	5	NA	8.66	NA
Extreme/Average	90.7	72.8	81.7	80.8	2.4	2.03	7	0.66	7.33	0.94
<b>Southwest</b>										
Crowley	87.2	73.8	80.5	81.7	-1.2	1.95	5	0.72	6.50	0.41
DeRidder	85.4	71.1	78.3	81.3	-3.0	2.68	5	1.06	5.63	-0.14
Jennings	87.6	73.6	80.6	81.6	-1.0	2.26	3	0.62	7.54	1.30
Oberlin Fire	84.9	71.6	78.2	81.0	-2.8	3.67	4	2.00	9.30	3.10
Extreme/Average	86.3	72.5	79.4	81.4	-2.0	2.64	5	1.10	7.24	1.17
<b>South Central</b>										
Donaldsonville	88.4	71.9	80.1	81.3	-1.1	4.42	3	2.68	6.07	-0.62
Jeanerette	89.8	72.6	81.2	81.7	-0.4	2.31	5	0.78	6.36	-0.52
Lafayette	87.4	73.6	80.5	81.1	-0.6	4.73	5	3.03	10.32	4.26
Morgan City	89.6	73.1	81.4	81.4	0.0	2.96	4	1.08	6.48	0.37
Extreme/Average	88.8	72.8	80.8	81.4	-0.6	3.61	5	1.89	7.31	0.87
<b>Southeast</b>										
Galliano	88.0	76.0	82.0	81.7	0.3	2.74	4	0.84	4.64	-2.12
Gonzales	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.73	NA	1.50	7.33	1.23
Grand Isle	86.9	76.6	81.7	NA	NA	2.40	5	0.91	6.08	1.59
New Orleans	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2.28	3	NA	4.27	NA
Extreme/Average	87.5	76.3	81.9	81.7	0.3	2.54	5	1.08	5.58	0.23
<b>State</b>	87.4	72.4	79.9	81.2	-1.1	2.02	5	0.73	5.45	0.46

DFN = Departure from Normal.  
NA = Not Available.